Committee Room, City Hall,
April 28th, 1920.

TWELFTH MEETING.

NO. I COMMITTEE meets in the Committee Room, City Hall, on Wednesday, April 28th, 1920, at 4.10 p.m.
PRESENT: Aldermen Brighton, Dr. Wilson, Bridge, Harley and His Worship Mayor Little.

Alderman Dr. Wilson, seconded by Alderman Harley, moves that Alderman Bridge be Acting Chairman.

The motion is adopted.

Alderman Bridge assumes the chair.

298 MINUTES.

The minutes of the eleventh meeting are confirmed and signed by the Acting Chairman.

299 LABOR UNION RESOLUTIONS (see par. 272)

Mr. Tite addressed the Committee urging that the property lying between the present city limits and Springbank be annexed in accordance with the terms of the petition to the Council in 1897. The most of the land was already owned by the city and the annexation would bring the London Street Railway to Springbank within the city limits.

On the voting question the members of the Union saw no reason why the men voting on income should have four votes for Aldermen. All citizens are equal and equally interested.

With respect to early closing the Union desire that the penalty clause be provided and that Councils be given power to enforce the by-law. The matter is laid over for report.

300 FEDERAL SQUARE RENTALS (see par. 226, 264)

Jas. S. Bell submitting statement of Federal Square rentals, namely:

Building	Paid for Purchase	Assessed when purchased	Present rental per month
301 Dundas St.	$4500.00	$2400.00	$12.00
rear 303 Dundas St.			Western University Free
305 Dundas St.	$5000.00	$2200.00	$15.00
rear 305 Dundas St.			6.00
307 Dundas St.	$8000.00	$3800.00	$10.00
309 Dundas St.			$12.00
291-299 Dundas St.	$31,425.00	$15,500.00	$175.00
west room over 291-299 Dundas St.	-	-	8.00
284 King St.	7,500.00	-	Free
312 King St.	9,000.00	4,500.00	38.00
328 King St.	6,000.00	3,500.00	25.00
Sign Boards			200.00 per annum

Filed.

301 TENNYSON AVENUE LIGHT (see par. 282)

H.A. Brazier recommending that the petition for a street light on Tennyson Avenue be granted.

Upon motion the recommendation of the Engineer is adopted.

302 BRISBIN STREET LIGHT (see par. 283)

H.A. Brazier recommending that one street light be erected.

Upon motion the recommendation of the Engineer is adopted.

303 ASSESSMENT (see par. 44, 63, 240)

S. Grant stating that with reference to the revising of the assessment now in hand that he is continuously working on the same and is pretty far ahead with the scheme. He has already suggested that extra help in the down town district would be desirable and would be very pleased to have the services of Mr. J.C. Richter to assist with the work or go over the work they have already decided upon. He would be glad to have his co-operation and advice in the working out of any change in the assessment system that might be found desirable.

Alderman Brighton moves, and it is adopted, that the Mayor be authorized to appoint the necessary assistants to co-operate with Mr. Grant in revising assessments and the establishment of an improved system.

304 STREET RAILWAY MATTERS (see par. 40, 61, 107, 228, 235)

H.A. Frazier stating that on account of the apparent irregularity of the service now being given by the London Street Railway Company he had a check made on the 8th, 9th, 10th and 12th inst. He finds that with the exception of the Dundas, Risout and North Belt lines no effort is apparently being made to comply with the Order and Direction prepared by him and approved of by By-law of the Municipal Council on the 6th day of August 1918 and although the average intervals on the Dundas, Ridout and North Belt lines are approximately correct, the individual headways are still very irregular.

Dr. Wilson argued that the Committee should discuss possible action if strike be declared and to take action, if possible, to prevent strike and asking whether the Railway Board had power to act.

Dr. Wilson moves that a Special Committee be called to consider Street Railway matters and to advise as to action necessary under conditions to meet at 12 p.m. on Friday night.

The motion is withdrawn.

Dr. Wilson moves, and it is adopted, that a Special Committee consisting of Aldermen Wilson, Watkinson, Bridge, Cunningham and His Worship the Mayor be appointed to consider the matter to meet on Thursday the 29th inst. at 8 o'clock, in the City Hall.

305 CITY GAS.

Mr. Graydon appeared before the Committee, on behalf of the City Gas Company, stating that the Company were unable to continue the present rates and asked that the Act be amended giving them power to increase. He suggested the appointment of a special committee to consider the matter. An increase to $1.30 would yield no dividend. He suggested that temporary relief be given.

Mr. Duffield states that the Toronto rate allowed for a ten per cent dividend.

Mr. Graydon submitted the following table of prices in other cities, namely:

City	1914	1915	1916	1917	1918	1919	1920	Per cent increase in price 1920 over 1914
Peterboro	$1.25	-	-	$1.40	$1.75	-	$2.00	60.
Ottawa	1.11½	.99	-	1.12½	1.21½	-	1.21½	8.8
Belleville	1.25	-	1.45	-	-	-	1.60	28
Owen Sound	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.35	1.26	1.26	-	26.
Brockville	1.00	-	-	1.25	1.40	-	1.40	40.
Oshawa	1.15	-	-	1.40	1.75	-	2.15	87.
Kingston	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.20	1.50	1.50	1.35 Jan 1.70 Apr.1	70.
Guelph	.85	.85	.85	1.00 1.15	1.30	1.30	1.30 1.50 Mar.1	76.
Cobourg	1.25	-	-	1.50	-	2.00	2.50	100.
Toronto	.70	.70	.70	.80	-	.90	1.00	42.85
London	.90	.90	.90	.90	.90	.90	.90	0
St. Thomas	.90	1.20	1.30	1.40	1.75	-	1.75	94.4
Kitchener	1.00	1.15	1.25	1.45	1.80	-	1.80	80.
Stratford	1.20	1.20	1.20	1.20	1.20	1.20	1.65	37.5

	1914	1919	1920	Increased cost
Coal	$4.00	$5.90	$8.30	$2.40 per ton
Oil	5.20	7.85	11.50	.65¢ per gal

Alderman Dr. Wilson moves, and it is adopted, that a special Committee consisting of Aldermen Harley, Bridge and Seabrook be appointed to consider and report upon the question and to meet the Company on Monday afternoon at 4 p.m. in the City Gas Company office.

306 MARKET REPORT.

Jas S. Bell submitting Market rental report for the month of April, namely:

Receipts - Upstairs		$360.00	
Basement		49.00	
Spaces		3.50	$412.50
Arrears - Butchers Pavilion	$18.00		
Market House Basement	7.00		

Former Report	This Report	Total
$1247.50	$412.50	$1660.00

Filed.

307 CITIZENSHIP.

Bureau of Research re hospitals, as printed in Education in Citizenship series.

Filed.

308 HETHERINGTON FINE.

E.B. Lance stating that on Saturday last #213495 Pte. Sidney Hetherington, 322 Eleanor St., London, was enticed by a well known officer, a resident of this city, to join him in a little spree.

They spent the evening in one of the local pool rooms and later clubbed together and purchased another bottle of liquor and started up the street. At 12.30 a.m. on the morning of the 11th inst. they were arrested on the street by a city policeman, but unfortunately Hetherington was carrying the bottle. Apparently his officer friend knew considerable of the O.T.A. and he preferred to carry his share inside rather than in a bottle, which is prohibited by the O.T.A.

The policeman took his two prisoners, the ex-officer and the ex-private, to the Police Station; but as the ex-officer was only charged with being under the influence of liquor he was released on the payment of a fine of $13.00. No so, however, with his friend who was carrying the bottle, he was held until the next morning when the Magistrate, he believed very reluctantly, was forced to administer the law, and assessed a fine of $200 and costs.

As this man was arrested by a city policeman and the charge was laid by the City Police Inspector, the fine would be paid to the City Treasurer and not to the Government.

He is writing on behalf of Mr. Hetherington to request the consideration of the members of the City Council to remit this fine. The reasons for such request are that Hetherington is still only a boy, but one who has served his country faithfully in France, and has been discharged from the service "Medically Unfit". This is his first offence of any kind, and in this case it is contended that morally the officer who led this boy astray is more guilty than the boy who has been so severely dealt with. The bottle that was found on Hetherington had been paid for by himself and officer friend in equal proportions, and had been bought on the suggestion and request of the office, but instead of their being fined equally, as both being guilty of the one offence, one is only fined $10.00 and the other one $200.00.

This $200.00 Pte. Hetherington had with which to pay his fine, had been saved by him from his War Service Gratuity and was safely in the Bank, which will commend itself to the members.

He submitted a certified copy of Pte. Hetherington's discharge certificate and also clipping from the Advertiser of the 12th inst. The officer who was responsible for this boy's condition is not mentioned, although neither of the local papers gave the name of the plan.

In justice to Pte. Hetherington, it is respectfully requested that if at all possible this matter be not made public, as Hetherington has several brothers and sisters whom he desires to shield.

Laid over.

309 ONTARIO HYDRO POWER UNIFORM RATE ASSOCIATION.

Ontario Hydro Power Uniform Rate Association submitting outline of suggested provincial legislation that had been approved by the Association and also by the legislative section of the U.F.O.

Filed.

310 U.C.M.

U.C.M. submitting minutes of the Executive meeting on March 30th.

Filed.

311. EBENEZER WILSON ADMISSION TO A.P.H.

Referred to His Worship the Mayor and Inspector with power.

312 HOUSING COMMISSION.

A.M.Piper reporting that there are at present four houses occupied and sixteen under course of construction. The above twenty houses are being built by contract and the owners have deeded their lots to the Commission. They are as follows:

Owner	Description of House	Contract Price.
Wm. Bird	1 story frame dwelling, plan #7	$1800.00
A.E.Tandy	" " " " " "	1800.00
W.G.Sturman	1½ " brick veneer dwelling, plan #5	2740.00
J.T.Kew	1 story brick veneer dwelling, plan #2	2750.00
W.Chatterly	1 " " " " " "	2750.00
G.Wood	1½ " " " " " #5	2676.00
A.Apsey	1 " " " " " #2	2750.00
A.C.Link	1½ " " " " " #5	2800.00
A.H.Kite	1 " " " " " #11	2850.00
W.Lavery	1½ " " " " " # 5	2850.00
R.S.Simmons	2 " " " " " #12	3431.00
E.F.Dodaly	1½ " " " " " #5	2815.00
P.F.Cunningham	1½ " " " " " "	3040.00
E.L.Pepper	1 " " " " " #2	2750.00
C.Linfoot	1½ " " " " " #5	2900.00
A.Shepherd	1 " frame dwelling " " #7	1940.00
H.Eaton	1 " " " " #7	1940.00
W.H.Martin	1½ " brick veneew dwelling " #5	2982.00
[illegible]	1½ " " " " #5	2900.00
[illegible]	1½ " " " " #5	4100.00

Filed.

313 E.H.RUSSELL APPOINTMENT.

F.England submitting a protest and requesting the resignation of E.H.Russell.

Referred to the Board of Health.

314 COLLEGIATE INSTITUTE FIRE.

Chamber of Commerce requesting a full investigation into all the circumstances surrounding the destruction of Collegiate Institute building by fire on Thursday night last.

S.Baker stating that he had notified Mr. McKillop that the Council Chamber was available for the purpose of holding an investigation on Friday the 30th at 12.30.

Upon motion the action of the Clerk is sustained.

315 ASSESSMENT.

J.M.Parsons submitting correspondence respecting assessment in Edmonton, as printed in the Education in Citizenship series.

Filed.

316 CATTLE SALE.

S.Baker certifying that in the absence of License Inspector McCallum he had advised Capt. Robson that he could act as auctioneer at a cattle sale for Mr. Laidlaw, under resolution of Council.

Upon motion the action of the Clerk is sustained.

317 VITAL STATISTICS.

Dr. McCullough reporting for March, viz:

Births 148 Marriages 63 Deaths 130 Total 341.

Former	Former Report	This Report	Total	
Births	211	148	359	
Deaths	294	130	424	
Marriages	101	63	164	947

Filed.

318 DEEP WATERWAYS SITTING.

Deep Waterways Association giving notice that the sitting for London district will be held at London on June 24th.

Upon motion a special committee consisting of Aldermen Bridge and Dr. Wilson are appointed to act with the Chamber of Commerce.

319 LEGISLATION.

Dr. Stevenson submitting certain bills respecting legislation.

Filed.

320 HOUSING COMMISSION.

E.R.Dennis, on behalf of the London Housing Commission, requesting the issue of debentures to be deposited as security for loan from the Ontario Government, for the following purposes.

1st. The erection of forty-eight houses on the Pine Lawn home site. Tenders have been accepted for those houses from Messrs. H.Hayman and Samuel Willis, as follows:

22 houses at $3,000.00
20 houses at $3,400.00
6 houses at $4,500.00

2nd. For the purchase of a site on Garfield Avenue, and the erection thereon of seventeen houses at $4,565.00 each. Tender has been accepted for these houses from R.G.Wilson and Son.

The Council has already approved of the Pine Lawn scheme and has provided for debentures as security for the Government loan for purchase of same.

The location and layout of sites, design and construction of houses, and location of houses or the prospective sites have received the approval of the Government Architect and Town Planning Adviser.

He asked for provision of debentures as security, subject to the final approval of the loan by Mr. J.M.Ellis, Director of the Bureau of Municipal Affairs, Toronto.

The Commission have been able to award the contracts for these houses at relatively favorable prices, and in order to secure the advantage of prices submitted by contractors earlier in the season it is necessary that instructions be given them without delay.

Upon motion the matter is laid over and Mr. Dennis asked to attend the next meeting of the Committee or Council to give information.

321 BREAD REPORT.

Board of Commerce of Canada submitting statement of bread prices:

City	Av.cost flour per bbl.	Av. cost flour per lb.	Av.cost Ingredients per lb.	Av.cost baking	Av.cost deliv-ery	Av.cost manage-ment	Total av. cost lb.
London	10.98	4.104	.819	.799	1.269	.584	7.575
Dominion Average	11.60	4.400	.667	.835	1.258	.707	7.867

Filed.

322 INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL ACCOUNT.

Victoria Industrial School enclosing account for maintenance of boys chargeable to the City of London for quarter ending March 31st. In this statement of account they have placed the name of Charles Ball about whose maintenance there has been some dispute. The City of St. Thomas disclaimed all liability. They are placing the matter in the hands of their solicitors.

Laid over for report of Inspector McCallum.

323 CIRCUS LICENSE.

S Baker submitting By-law No. to amend By-law No. 5594 passed on the 7th day of August, A.D., 1917 respecting the issue of licenses in certain cases. The by-law is read changing circus licenses from $500 to $300.

Upon motion the by-law is approved.

324 HOUSING DEBENTURES.

T.G Meredith enclosing By-law to provide for borrowing $100,000.00 from the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, and copy. The date when the City Council passed the By-law declared that "The Ontario Housing Act, 1919" shall apply in London, has been left blank. Please insert this date. All other blanks in the by-law have been filled in.

As appears by the pamphlet issued by the Government, which Is returned herewith, after the first reading of the by-law and before its final passage, copies of it, in duplicate, must be submitted to the Director of the Bureau of Municipal Affairs, in order to obtain his approval of the borrowing from the Province of the moneys proposed to be borrowed under this by-law.

The by-law is read.

The Clerk points out the fact that this by-law is to provide for funds already authorized.

Upon motion the by-law is recommended.

325 INSURANCE OF CITY BUILDINGS.

Jas. S Bell stating that early in February His Worship the Mayor directed him to revise insurance on city buildings, insurance of which is looked after by the City of London. He submitted a statement showing the amount of insurance on the various buildings, namely:

Buildings	Insured for
City Hall	$60,000.00
Market House	20,000.00
Weigh Scales	2,000.00
Butter and egg shed	2,000.00
Comfort station	
Fire Hall No. 1	7,000.00
Fire Hall No. 2	20,000.00
Fire Hall No. 3	2,200.00
Fire Hall No. 4	4,000.00
Fire Hall No. 5	4,000.00
Police Station	10,600.00
Court House (City interest only)	5,000.00
Asphalt Paving Plant	17,600.00
Incinerator	10,000.00
Hospital	203,600.00
Western Fair	273,600.00
284 King St.	3,600.00
312 King St.	4,000.00
328 King St.	3,600.00
305-7-9 Dundas St.	3,000.00
301 Dundas St.	1,500.00
Rear 301 Dundas St.	500.00
305 Dundas St. rear	400.00
Ford Building and Shop	4,000.00
House, Thames St.	500.00
Stable, Themes St.	400.00

Filed.

326 INDIGENTS.

Inspector McCallum reporting on:
(a) F.Polinski (b) Alice Chatterson.

The Chairman reports in favor of the acceptance of Alice Chatterson as a city indigent at St. Joseph's Hospital and that Baby Francis Polinski be not accepted as a city indigent.

Upon motion the report of the Chairman is adopted.

327 FIRE HALL HEATING.

Helena Costume Company stating that their heating contracts cover only the seven months of the year from October to April inclusive. Other customers except yourselves have requested them to furnish heat during the month of May on such days as is necessary. It entails a large expense to run this heating system and we will not furnish any heat

after April 30th unless all their customers wish to have it. If the Fire Department wish to have heat during May it will only cost half the regular monthly rate, or in the case of the city $51.36.

They asked to be informed before the 29th inst. whether the Fire Department wish heat in May under the above conditions and if not they will shut down the steaming system on April 30th and under no consideration will put any steam into the mains.

Alderman Harley moves, and it is adopted, that the offer be accepted.

328 SOLDIERS TAX EXEMPTION. (see par.31,59,245,265)

S.Baker submitting a report upon one hundred and one applications for remission and stating that the amount of remission claimed is $2,243.79.

Alderman Dr. Wilson moves, and it is adopted, that the City Solicitor be instructed to prepare a by-law exempting from taxation, except for local improvements and school taxes, for the year 1920, dwelling houses assessed at not more than $3,000.00 owned and occupied by officers or men who have been on active service overseas during the present war, under the provisions of sub-section 3 of section 11, Chapter 50, 9 George V.

329 ACCOUNTS.

The following accounts, being examined and found correct, are, upon motion, passed for payment, viz:

London Coat & Apron Supply	.39	Mrs. M.J.Draper	33.33
Official Guardian	66.68	Mrs. Sarah Garrett	100.00
George Harding	100 00	Mrs. Emily Horwood	100.00
Mrs. May Haldane	33.33	Official Guardian	66.66
Mrs. Florence Legg	50.00	Mrs. Eliz. Moore	100.00
Thomas Nickle	100.00	Mrs. Ellen Neads	100.00
Mrs. Ella L. Robinson	100.00	Pay Sheet	25.00
Pay Sheet	25.00	Pay Sheet	2392.54
Pay Sheet	454.15	Pay Sheet	175.00
Pay Sheet	37.50	E.Hardy	15.00
C.Riley	.75	J.Taylor	11.25
W.E.Scott	35.75	Pay Sheet	250.00
OddFellows Relief Assoc.	3.22	Miss Raymond	10.00
Wm. T. Allen	5.00	Western University Med. Sch.	15000.00
J.Jenkin	24.00	Pay Sheet	105.00
Dale & Screaton	945.00	John Dougall	20.00
E.D.Raymond	100.00	R.H.Dignan	2.30
C.Fitzgerald	44.38	Pay Sheet	54.00
S.H.Martin	2.00	Pay Sheet	175.00
James Perrin	24.28	Canadian Express Co.	25.92
London Advertiser	20.25	Pay Sheet	55.50
Grand Trunk Cartage Co.	1.64	J.Jenkin	24.00
Dr. J.C.Wilson	17.50	F.Dunn	21.05
Thos. Pierce	10.00	Public Utilities Comm.	4.50
Imperial Oil Co.	111.30	National Drug Co.	5.32
Imperial Oil Co.	60.90	Mills Belting Co.	3.50
James Wright & Co.	7.36	Dominion Rubber System	1650.00
London Cold Storage Co.	3.00	Public Utilities Comm.	13.19
Financial Post	3.00	Public Utilities Comm.	3.40
St. Thomas Packing Co.	57.03	White & Co.	229.60
Public Utilities Comm.	2.63	American City	3.50
H.P.Dock	15.00		
			$23,235.60

Upon motion the Committee adjourned.

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Chairman.